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**NASA'S (NAME), OF (HOMETOWN), HELPS SPACE SHUTTLE EXPLORE FUTURE**

NASA (occupation) (full name), a native of (hometown, state), is playing a key role in helping to return the Space Shuttles to safe flight. (last name) works on (name of project) at (center, location) doing (job description). No job is too large or too small as NASA employees pull together to achieve successful continuous presence in space. And with every launch, we step toward the future.

(last name) was recently featured in STARcam, NASA's photo essay program that offers a behind-the-scenes look at the exciting, challenging world of space exploration. Armed with a camera, (last name) was asked to paint a digital portrait of the people, places, and events that are making NASA's ambitious exploration goals a reality. The people of NASA – from our explorers, scientists and engineers to our administrative personnel -- give eye-witness testimony to the wonders of the universe...and our world from their unique point of view.

(quote from participant)

(last name) has worked for NASA since (year). (he/she) was (born/raised) in (hometown) and is a (year) graduate of (high school) and a (year) graduate of (university).

(last name)'s camera work will be featured (where). (his/her) images are available to the news media at:

**<http://www.nasa.gov/oso>**

Returning the Space Shuttle to flight and completing the International Space Station are the first steps in the Vision for Space Exploration, a stepping stone strategy toward new exploration goals. Using the Station to study human endurance in space and to test new technologies and techniques, NASA will prepare for the longer journeys to the moon, Mars and beyond.

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